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Disposition of DRV Forces.

1. The French offensive against Hao Binh forced the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) to abandon plans for an attack against Ha Dong.¹ The DRV was aware of the French plans, however, and were able to evacuate the city prior to the French attack. The DRV 48 and 52 Regiments, as well as three units from the 351 Artillery Division (C-4) were in the area at the time of the attack.²
2. The following is the current disposition of DRV units:
 - a. Elements of the 304 Division have moved from Thanh Hoa to the Ninh Binh-Phu Ly area.
 - b. Elements of the 320 Division are surrounding the city of Hoa Binh.
 - c. The 88 Regiment, 308 Division, and the 141 Regiment, 312 Division, are also in the Hoa Binh area.
 - d. Elements of the 316 Division are moving into positions vacated by the 308 Division in the Viet Bac.

Hanoi Front Conference.

3. In late October 1951, Nghiem Tu Trinh, who has succeeded Khuat Duy Tien as President of the Hanoi Administrative and Resistance Committee, and Vy Hai,³ chief of the Hanoi Front headquarters, ordered the annual conference of Hanoi security and intelligence can-bo to be held on 10 November at Chom⁴ village in Hoa Binh Province.⁵ On 6 November, however, when the DRV obtained information concerning French plans for an attack on Hoa Binh the meeting place was changed to Pho Cat, Thanh Hoa Province. A new date for the meeting, to be attended only by government can-bo, has not yet been determined. Communist Party of Indochina can-bo have been ordered to remain at their posts.

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- 25X1A 1. [REDACTED] Comment. Possibly this attack was to be part of the offensive planned at the 4-9 November conference in Yen Bay reported in [REDACTED] from another source. 25X1A
- 25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Comment. According to [REDACTED] from another source, the 48 and 52 Regiments were at Vu Ban and Phuoc Luong, south of Hoa Binh. The 351 Division, however, has consistently been reported in the Viet Bac Intersector. 25X1A
- 25X1A 3. [REDACTED] Comment. Possibly the Vu Hai reported in [REDACTED] as commander of the guerrilla unit attached to the DRV Security Services in the Hanoi area. 25X1A
- 25X1A 4. [REDACTED] Comment. Possibly Chom Dien (105-10, 20-56). 25X1A
- 25X1A 5. [REDACTED] Comment. This is possibly the same, or may have some connection with the Hanoi Front meeting referred to in [REDACTED] 25X1A

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